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SUBJECT: UNESCO 18TH GC: ITEM 43.3: US STATEMENT RE

SOVIET ARREARAGES FOR RECORD OF

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

1. DELOFF INSISTED UPON AND OBTAINED NOV. 13, DESPITE
SOVIET OBJECTIONS, THE INSERTION OF FOLLOWING STATEMENT
IN PARA 5, PAGE 8 OF DOCUMENT 18 C/ADM/2, PART IV
WHICH REPORTS COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF CONTINUED
SPECIAL ACCOUNT:

BEGIN QUOTE. THE DELEGATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA STATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD OPPOSED THE
DECISION BY THE SEVENTEENTH GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO
TO CREATE A SPECIAL ACCOUNT TO ABSORB CERTAIN ARREARAGES
BECAUSE THE PART OF THE RESOLUTION CONCERNED WAS NOT
ADOPTED BY A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY AS PROVIDED FOR BY
RULE 81.2 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND ARTICLE 14.3 OF
THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS. THE UNITED STATES' DELEGATE
EXPLAINED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT THEREFORE OPPOSED THE
DRAFT RESOLUTION UNDER CONSIDERATION (18 C/ADM/DR.18)
BECAUSE, IN HIS GOVERNMENT'S VIEW, THIS WOULD PERPETUATE
AN IRREGULAR PRACTICE. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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SAW NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE "NON-APPLICATION" OF

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND THEIR "SUSPENSION" WHICH
REQUIRES A "TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE. THE DELEGATE
FURTHER STATED THAT FUNDS GOING INTO THE PREVIOUS
SPECIAL ACCOUNT, AND INTO THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT PROPOSED
BY THE CURRENT RESOLUTION WERE FUNDS THAT NORMALLY
AND PROPERLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN RETURNED AS SURPLUSES TO
MEMBER STATES UNDER UNESCO'S REGULATIONS. FINALLY, THE
DELEGATE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN'S
STATEMENT CONFIRMING THAT RESOLUTION 18 C/ADM/DR.18
WOULD HAVE TO BE ADOPTED BY A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY.
END QUOTE.
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